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Re: "POOL CLEANER CONTROL DEVICE"

*Applicant: Abelardo Caraballo
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PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(C)

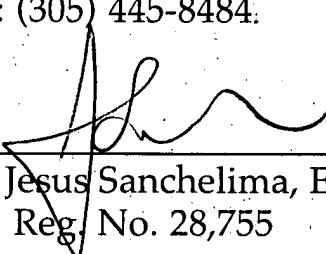
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Applicant petitions to make his application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c) since Applicant is over 65 years of age (80), and in support thereof, encloses herewith a declaration to that effect.

Respectfully submitted,

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DECLARATION OF APPLICANT IN SUPPORT OF PETITION TO
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Hon. Commissioner for Patents:

I, hereby state that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful, false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful, false statements may jeopardize the validity of any patent granted on the above application.

1. I am the Applicant in the above referenced application and I am over 65 years of age (80).

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